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PROCESS AND CATALYST FOR DEHYDROGENATING PRIMARY ALCOHOLS TO MAKE CARBOXYLIC ACID SALTS

the specification of which:

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I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 (a) - (d) or §365(b) of any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or §365(a) of any PCT application which designates at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

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